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IN THE APPLICATION OF:

KIMBERLY F. GLASSMAN ET. AL.

CASE NO. BB1449 US NA

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GROUP ART UNIT: 1635

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EXAMINER: KAREN A. LACOURCIERE

FOR: RECOMBINANT CONSTRUCTS AND
THEIR USE IN REDUCING GENE EXPRESSION

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RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents
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This is submitted in response to the Office Action dated January 14, 2003
regarding the above-identified application. Applicants respectfully request
reconsideration and submit the following in support thereof.